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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/661,319
Applicant : Robert L. Armstrong et al.
Filed : September 12, 2003
Title : OPTICAL DEVICES AND METHODS EMPLOYING NANOPARTICLES,
MICROCAVITIES, AND SEMICONTINUOUS METAL FILMS

Atty. Docket No.: 37000 CIP2 9906
Group Art Unit : 2877
Examiner : Kara E. Geisel
Confirmation No. 9312

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 30 of this paper.